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FROM THE AD'S DESK

It's January and the beginning of 2004, a year we are sure will be a special one for UT athletics.

The start of a new year recharges everybody's batteries and it's no different for all of us involved in Tennessee athletics. We look forward to even better things in the year to come.

We were proud of our December graduates, four of whom were captains of our football team, Casey Clausen, Constantin Ritzmann, Scott Wells and Michael Munoz.

That had to be special for head coach Phillip Fulmer and his staff as well as for the players and their families.

You might remember that a fifth captain, linebacker Kevin Burnett, has already graduated and the sixth, defensive back Rashad Baker, is on track to graduate this year.

There were a number of special things that happened over the past year.

In the 'Year of the Fan,' one Vol fan came a long way, perhaps 5700 miles, to see the Vols play. Ricky Ellison, a native of LaFollette who is stationed in Milan, Italy, found his way to the Georgia Dome thanks to the efforts of Vol broadcaster Bob Kesling. Ellison, on NATO assignment and and aide to the chief of staff there, had previously served with the 82nd Airborne in Afghanistan. 'It was the first game I had seen in two years and I was bent on getting to Atlanta or wherever the Vols played,' he said. All of us appreciate all the fans who made their way to Atlanta and who gave us such great support.

We were happy with the success of our 25 millionth fan promotion and congratulate the winners for each game. I know Patricia Gregg, winner of the grand prize, was excited by her selection and is making good use of her prizes.

I was also happy we were able to honor the 'Legends of the Game' at each home contest. We were able to bring some of the big names of Tennessee football back home to Neyland Stadium.

Vol fans warmly welcome home former Vols Johnnie Jones, Bruce Wilkerson, Charles McRae, Tony Thompson, Condredge Holloway, Larry Seivers, Jeff Hall, Heath Shuler, Joey Kent, Stanley Morgan, Bobby Majors, Eddie Brown, Tim Irwin and Anthony Hancock.

It was exciting to watch the tapes of their exploits on the JumboTron and see them in person at midfield. We plan to continue that ceremony next season and look forward to bringing back many more of the great players in Tennessee football history

One special moment came when we honored the 1938 11-0 team at the Marshall game this past September. There aren't many of these guys left, but the exploits of this group will not soon be forgotten.

We were glad that Norbert Ackermann, Leonard Coffman and Ed Cifers could be with us and keep Vol fans connected with an integral part of a great team in a long line of great Tennessee teams.

The panoply of Tennessee athletics continues unabated over the months to come and we know there are some exciting times on the horizon.

The annual Fund Drive is underway under the leadership of chairs Pete Kutz and Todd Kelly, the latter a Vol captain back in 1992. Watch for the events in your area.

From our family to yours, we want to wish you the best in 2004. We look forward to seeing you whenever and wherever the Vols might be competing.

We also thank you for your continued loyal support.

Expect to win!

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VOLS FINISH 10-3 WITH 27-14 LOSS

Tennessee dug itself into a 10-0 first quarter hole, rallied to 17-14 with 8:19 left in the second stanza, then saw Clemson score the final 10 points of the game, seven to expand the lead to 24-14 at halftime, and the final three on a field goal with 1:23 left in the game, to take the 2004 Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl 27-14. A crowd of 72,125 that seemingly leaned markedly in the Tigers' favor was also the largest crowd to see an event in the famed arena.

The outcome saw the Vols finish 10-3 for the 2003 campaign and continue the Georgia Dome as a veritable house of horrors for the good guys.

Casey Clausen finished a shining career for the Vols by completing 31 of 55 passes for 384 yards and two scores, one each to Chris Hannon (19 yards) and the versatile Mark Jones (30 yards).

Tennessee finished No. 15 in the final 2003 Associated Press college football poll release Jan. 5. The coaches put the Vols at No. 16 in the season's final ESPN/USA Today Coaches poll.

It brought the careers of the Vol senior class to a close, a class head coach Phillip Fulmer paid tribute to after the game.

'I appreciate the seniors for what they've done,' Fulmer said. 'They won the East twice and had two 10-win seasons. They left a legacy with their work and leadership.'

None, perhaps, more than Clausen.

'Obviously, it's a disappointing end to the season and the seniors' careers,' Clausen said. 'We knew Clemson was a good team, and we knew we would have to score a lot of points because their offense was going to pose some problems for our defense.

'Our goal as seniors was to leave this program in the state it was when we arrived as freshmen and to win 11 games. We came out and played hard, but obviously we came up short.'

Clausen hit 10 different receivers in his barrage in the air, with Troy Fleming grabbing six for 54 yards and Jones five for 66.

Clemson shut out all avenues on the ground, holding the Vols to 38 yards on 26 carries and added six sacks for good measure. There were times it appeared that white-shirted Tigers were coming from every angle and, when they weren't, the Vols weren't able to finish off the requisite plays to get the lead and take control of the game.

Ten penalties for 119 yards didn't help either. (Historians will remember a similar circumstance that worked the other way in the 1976 Vol-Tiger clash.)

The Vols cranked up an 87-yard drive for their first score, as Clausen played pitch-and-catch with Hannon for 12 and 16 yards, added 16 yards on a screen pass to Fleming, and capped the drive with a neatly-executed screen pass right to Hannon that could have been more, but 19 was all the rapidly-improving soph needed to score.

If the adage that, for every action, there is an equal and opposite reaction is true, Clemson matched the Vols' TD with one of their own and stretched the lead back to 10 at 17-7.

A Gibril Wilson interception gave the Vols the ball at the Clemson 43 and it took Clausen and the Vols four plays to find paydirt.

Gerald Riggs ran for 3 and Clausen found Brett Smith on the far side for 10 and a first down. Clausen found Jones motoring down the left side for 30 yards and a score that closed the gap back to three, 17-14.

A pass interference call nullified a Rahsad Baker interception, and Clemson extended the lead off what had to be gobbly or wobbly, or maybe gobbly-wobbly, getting a score off a variant of the old fumblerooskie play,

sending the flow one way and the ball-carrier the other for the score. The halftime score was 24-14 and the Vols would get no closer.

Tennessee had a monster drive early in the third quarter as Jayson Swain caught passes for 9 and 5, and C.J. Fayton added catches for 13 and 12 and Jones one for 9. James Banks had a grab for 11 and the Vols were knocking at the door.

On third-and-2 at the 2, Jones appeared to have six points, but the pass was adjudged incomplete. Worse than that, there was an unsportsmanlike conduct penalty and a missed field goal of 35 yards. It was eight-minute drive that came up empty.

The Vols had three other possessions and couldn't score, and Clemson added a late fielder to establish the final margin.

GAME NOTES: Former Vol defensive tackle Reggie White was honored as one of four members of the Peach Bowl Hall of Fame... Tennessee hit the 10-win mark for the 18th time in school history, including seven since 1993, for the season... The game was the Vols' 44th in post-season competition, second overall in NCAA history... Tennessee is 11-7 in bowl games since the 1986 Sugar Bowl and played in its eighth New Year's Day bowl game in the past nine years... The crowd was the largest to witness a sporting event in the Georgia Dome... Tennessee leads the Clemson series 11-6-2, with the Tigers last winning in 1919... Tennessee and Clemson last played in Knoxville in 1976, a 21-19 Vol win... Clausen set UT bowl records for completions (31) and attempts (55)... Clausen ranks no. 6 on the SEC all-time passing yardage list 9707 yards... He threw 11 TD passes in the last four games and had a career-best 27 for 2003... Jones had a career-high five catches... Hannon caught his seventh TD pass of the season... Scott Wells made his 49th career start, third-longest current streak by offensive lineman in college football... Jabari Greer played in his 51st game to move past Jeff Hall (50, 1995-98).

LATE BREAKING HOOPS NEWS: Tennessee got its New Year off to a good start with a 74-66 road win at Massachusetts Saturday at the Mullins Center.

Scooter McFadgon led three Tennessee players in double figures with 22 points. C.J. Watson added 14 points and Brandon Crump had

> Basically, we couldn't get anything going offensively. My hat's off to Clemson. They had an excellent game plan for us. For our offense, they brought a lot of things for us. They had an excellent offensive scheme. We were able to move the ball several times passing it, but weren't able execute in the Orange Zone. They did an excellent job. It seemed like they always brought more guys than we had blockers. We didn't perform as well as we did in practice.
>
> *Center Scott Wells*

10. Jemere Hendrix pulled down a game-high 11 rebounds to go with nine points.

Tennessee improved to 8-1 on the season and picked up its first road victory. Massachusetts falls to 5-6 and lost just its second home game this season in seven games at the Mullins Center.

Gabe Lee scored a career-high 23 points to lead the Minutemen.

Tennessee continued its hot shooting from the free throw line today, connecting on 20-25 from the line, including 7-of-8 in the final 1:03.

The Vols held a double-digit lead for much of the second half. UMass cut the gap to eight points on several occasions but could get no closer in the final minutes.

Following a cold shooting first half, the Vols warmed up in the second half, connecting on 56 percent (15-of-27).

The Vols opened the second half on a 9-2 run to take a 35-29 advantage with 16:51 to go on the strength of back-to-back three-pointers from Watson and Winchester to go a three-point play by Hendrix.

Massachusetts took a 27-26 lead into halftime. The Minutemen limited the Vols to 25 percent shooting from the field (8-of-32). But Tennessee stayed close forcing 14 UMass first half turnovers and outscoring the Minutemen 9-2 at the free throw line.

Tennessee coach Pat Summitt has a new gold and diamond ring and another win to move up on the list of career college basketball victories.

Reserve Tye'sha Fluker scored 10 points and Tasha Butts and reserve Shanna Zolman each had nine, helping the No. 5 Lady Vols to a 66-42 win over Old Dominion Jan. 4.

Summitt was presented the ring by Wendy Larry, Old Dominion's coach and president of the Women's Basketball Coaches Association, on behalf of the organization and in honor of her 800th coaching win, a mark the Tennessee coach reached last January.

Summitt moved into third place on the career victory list with 831, surpassing retired Mount St. Mary's coach Jim Phelan. Summitt trails Dean Smith (879) and Adolph Rupp (876). Texas coach Jody Conradt, whose Longhorns beat Tennessee last weekend, is fifth with 829.

CLEMSON 27, TENNESSEE 14

Scoring	1	2	3	4	Final
Clemson Tigers	10	14	0	3	- 27
Tennessee	7	7	0	0	- 14

Scoring Summary:

1st 12:50 CU - Duane Coleman 8 yd run (Aaron Hunt kick)
6 plays, 80 yards, TOP 2:10.
3:48 CU - Aaron Hunt 23 yd field goal
6 plays, 11 yards, TOP 1:55.
00:06 UT - Chris Hannon 19 yd pass from Casey Clausen (James Wilhoit kick)
11 plays, 87 yards, TOP 3:42.
2nd 13:11 CU - Chad Jasmin 15 yd run (Aaron Hunt kick)
7 plays, 80 yards, TOP 1:55.
8:19 UT - Mark Jones 30 yd pass from Casey Clausen (James Wilhoit kick)
4 plays, 43 yards, TOP 1:12.
5:36 CU - Kyle Browning 8 yd run (Aaron Hunt kick)
9 plays, 80 yards, TOP 2:43.
4th 1:23 CU - Aaron Hunt 28 yd field goal
14 plays, 70 yards, TOP 7:04.

	CU	UT
FIRST DOWNS	25	28
Rushing	9	7
Passing	10	20
Penalty	6	1
Rushing Attempts	34	26
Yards Gained Rushing	191	92
Yards Lost Rushing	38	54
NET YARDS RUSHING	153	38
NET YARDS PASSING	246	384
Passes Attempted	40	56
Passes Completed	22	31
Had Intercepted	1	0
TOTAL OFFENSIVE PLAYS	74	82
TOTAL NET YARDS	399	422
Average Gain Per Play	5.4	5.1
Fumbles: Number-Lost	1-0	1-1
Penalties: Number-Yards	6-45	10-119
Number of Punts-Yards	5-210	8-308
Average Per Punt	42.0	38.5
Punt Returns: Number-Yards	4-67	1-5
Kickoff Returns: Number-Yards	0-0	2-46
Interceptions: Number-Yards	0-0	1-0
Fumble Returns: Number-Yards	0-0	0-0
Possession Time	27:51	32:09
Third-Down Conversions	5 of 14	4 of 12
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 0	0 of 0
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	5-6	1-2
Sacks By: Number-Yards	6-43	1-10

GAME NOTES

* Scott Wells made his 49th consecutive start at center today - third-longest current streak by offensive lineman in college football
* Jabari Greer played in his 51st career game today to set a school record for career games played (previous: 50, Jeff Hall, 1995-98)
* UT's 119 penalty yards today was a season-high (previous: 118 vs. Marshall)
* Vols are now 1-6-1 all-time when attempting 50 or more passes in a game
* James Wilhoit's pooch punted on a fake field goal in the second quarter to the CU 10... It was his first career punt (28 yards)
* CU scored first today ... UT is now 34-26-1 since 1990 when the opponent scores first

PURDY BROTHERS TRUCKING RECOGNIZED FOR GIFT

Jim Purdy and his son-in-law Doug Surrett were all smiles when Tennessee Athletics Director Mike Hamilton removed the orange cloth unveiling the plaque that now adorns the entrance to the director of football operations office.

Purdy and Surrett were honored for their commitment to the STEP UP Campaign - the comprehensive capital campaign for new, renovated and expanded facilities benefiting Tennessee's 20 men's and women's intercollegiate teams.

The two made a commitment to the STEP UP Campaign in April in honor of their family business, Purdy Brothers Trucking, based in Loudon. The formal recognition was Dec. 17 on the second floor of the Neyland Thompson Sports Center. Hamilton and Director of Major Gifts Scott Rabenold directed the presentation, along with Joan Cronan, women's athletics director, and John Currie, associate athletics director for development.

'Jim and Doug, and Purdy Brothers Trucking in general, have been incredibly supportive of our efforts through any time that we've had a need in our athletic program,' Hamilton said. 'They believe in doing the things that are necessary to have a program at this level. This is just a further testament to their belief in and love of the University of Tennessee athletics program.'

Already Nathan Dougherty Society members and contributors for a skybox in Neyland Stadium on fall Saturdays, the STEP UP commitment is just another way for the Purdy family to show their love for Tennessee.

'I've always been a fan of the Vols, especially the football and basketball programs,' Purdy said. 'We just grew up with that. It's worked out well, and we're happy to be part of it.'

'Having a strong sports program can strengthen the fibers of the university,' said Surrett, who was joined by two of his three children. 'I'm from here and lived here all my life. I've been a fan of UT all my life. I'll give you three guesses where I intend for my children to go to school. The university is in our blood.'

Purdy and Surrett were especially honored by the fact that their name will adorn the office for the director of football operations. The list of people who have occupied the office over the years sounds much like a roll call for who's who in Tennessee football, including fellow Loudon native and current assistant athletics director for development, David Blackburn.

'You think about the guys who were in this office,' Hamilton said. 'Gary Wyant was in here at one time, and he really had a significant impact on our program. David was in here. Condredge Holloway was in here. And now, Gerry Dickey is here. Jim and Doug believe in the role this person serves.'

The location of the office fits well, too.

'I was surprised that the office we're dedicating was right across from coach Fulmer's,' said Purdy, just before Tennessee coach Phillip Fulmer came from his office to personally thank Purdy and Surrett for their dedication to the Vols. 'It's a good place to be.'

Doug Surrett (far left) and his son-in-law Jim Purdy (far right) are seen here with Purdy's children during ceremonies honoring the Purdy Trucking Company for their contribution to the STEP UP Campaign.

The commitment from Purdy and Surrett place them among 49 people who have provided $22 million of the $27 million that has been privately raised.

'Significant gifts from folks like that are what will enable us to build the type of program that we want to build,' Hamilton said. 'And that's to be a model program in the NCAA. I know in particular that they love this football program, and that's why they wanted to have a name on something here in the football complex.'

Purdy Brothers Trucking began in 1972 when Purdy sent three trucks on the road for delivery. Purdy began the company, and Surrett came aboard approximately 20 years ago as a transportation graduate of Tennessee. In 32 years, the company has expanded to 300 trucks and now hauls food and pharmaceutical supplies to 48 states and Canada.

'That's pretty much the story,' Purdy said. 'It's been a family business, and we've had good fortune.'

Purdy and Surrett were committing to what they love. And paving the way for others to do so, as well.

'They've set an example for so many other people that they're friends with and we're friends with around the area as to what it takes to have success at this level,' Hamilton said. 'It's just another step forward for our athletic program.' T

by Josh Pate

TODD KELLY, PETE KUTZ TO LEAD VASF FUND DRIVE...

Longtime VASF donor Pete Kutz of Nashville, joined so ably by his wife, Carole, and 1992 UT co-captain Todd Kelly of Knoxville have been named the National Chairpersons for the 2004 Volunteer Athletic Scholarship Fund (VASF) Drive.

As leaders critical to the success of the VASF in meeting the needs of UT student-athletes, co-chairs Kutz and Kelly will serve as the public face of the Drive. They will take a leadership role in an ongoing basis to spearhead the effort to grow the VASF annual fund in terms of members and dollars raised.

Kelly and Kutz will provide leadership for VASF Fund Drive workers, and will help plan and implement strategies to increase the number of Fund Drive workers. They will also provide motivation for Fund Drive workers, based on their unique experiences with the Vol program.

'Todd Kelly and Pete Kutz bring unique and solid credentials to the Fund Drive,' John Currie said. 'They will bring capable and strong leadership to the effort to grow the Fund Drive.'

The two co-chairs will be out front on the Fund Drive in speaking to Fund Drive meetings in their area, hosting Fund Drive events, and recruiting and mentoring Fund Drive workers.

While educating others about the Fund Drive is a year-round proposition, the Drive's main focus comes in November, January and February.

TODD KELLY: The key word is opportunity.'

Kelly, who came to the Vol football program in 1989 from Hampton, Va., earned All-SEC honors as a defensive end in 1992. Kelly was co-captain of the 1992 football team (with J.J. McCleskey).

He was a dominating persona from his defensive end position, using quickness and strength in nearly equal proportions to get to the quarterback and throttle Vol opponents' running game.

He was a first round draft choice of the San Francisco 49ers in the 1993 NFL draft, playing for the 49ers from 1993-95, the Cincinnati Bengals from 1995-96 and the Atlanta Falcons in 1996. He played in Super Bowl XXIX Jan. 29, 1995, a 49-26 49ers victory over San Diego.

'I am honored to have a leadership role in the 2004 Fund Drive,' Kelly said.

'As one who benefited from the success of the VASF when I was in school, I'll be talking with existing and new donors about what the scholarship meant in my life and what it means to the student-athletes of today.

'My first speaking engagement is mid-January.'

Kelly talked about the opportunity participation in the VASF program affords young athletes and how it helped him coming out of high school.

'If not for the donors who made my scholarship possible, I wouldn't have had the opportunities I have today, the opportunity to excel in sports, go to the NFL, get a Super Bowl ring and get an education. It all starts with the donors who make the program possible.'

PETE KUTZ: 'What they're looking for is an identifiable face behind the program to illustrate how important it is.'

Pete and Carole Kutz were named by NACDA as National Volunteers of the Year and have conducted seminars for athletic directors and development directors.

You name any aspect of the VASF program and Pete and Carole have been right there. Out front.

'We've been involved with the program for some time. We think it is serious. We'll use that to bring more people into the program.' Pete said.

Kelly said people remember him as No. 58 in an Orange and White jersey.

He finds people can cite his Vol pedigree almost from memory. They know about the sacks and the big plays of his Vol career.

He's now on the other side of that equation, taking the acumen he picked up as a Vol. what he learned as a component of a successful sports franchise, and the lessons he's learned in his professional life to help the VASF meet the needs of UT student-athletes over the years to come.

'Success for student-athletes begins with the donors who make the scholarships possible,' Todd said. ' The key word is opportunity. I want to share my story so other student-athletes can have the same opportunity I had. There is no way I can say thanks for the opportunity I was given.'

It's an intriguing combination, what with the the grizzled veteran of the wars on the playing field, combined with the veterans of the fund-raising side.

Will it be a success? You bet.

The VASF Fund Drive offers Vol fans the chance to make a difference in the lives of young student-athletes. It's an integral part of the winning edge in Tennessee athletics.

Watch for the VASF Fund Drive to coming to an area near where you live. The next Todd Kelly, and many others as well, are depending on you.

For more information, please call the VASF Office at (865) 974-1218.

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2004 Fund Drive Meetings & Big Orange Fan Reception Schedule

The VASF staff and Fund Drive volunteers are hosting VASF Receptions again this year. This is an opportunity for: Tennessee fans across the state and the Southeast to learn more about the VASF as well as a chance for the VASF staff to interact with our greatest Vol fans to attend and learn more about football and basket-ball season ticket opportunities. Check back for locations and times.

DATE	CITY	TIME*	LOCATION
Jan. 15	Tri-Cities	6p.m.(E) Fund Drive/Reception	First Community Bank
Jan. 21	Atlanta	6 p.m.(E) Fund Drive/Reception	Old Towne Tavern
Jan. 22	Cleveland	6 p.m.(E)	Cleveland Country Club
Jan. 26	Oak Ridge	6 p.m.(E) Reception	TBD
Jan. 27	Murfreesboro	6 p.m.(C) Reception	TBD
Jan. 28	Gallatin	6 p.m.(C) Reception	Gallatin Country Club
Feb: 3	Huntsville, Ala.	6 p.m.(C) Reception	Huntsville Hilton CC
Feb.5	Memphis	6 p.m.(C) Fund Drive/Reception	Park Vista Hotel
Feb. 9	Nashville	5:30 p.m.(E) Fund Drive/Reception	Governor's Club
Feb. 10	Maryville	6 p.m.(E) Reception	TBD
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Fellow Lettermen,

As Buzz Peterson's basketball team heads into SEC play, the Aqua Vols are gearing up for the SECs. Baseball, golf, tennis and track are getting ready to start their 2004 seasons. It's a busy time not only on the UT campus, but also at the Lettermen's Club.

At our December board meeting, we discussed appointing out of town board representatives to help with meetings during The Big Orange Caravan in Memphis, Nashville, Chattanooga and Atlanta. We are planning to have a Lettermen's breakfast or lunch around the Caravan golf tournament. For those of you who live in or near these cities, be watching for information on the events this spring. If you are interested in helping as an out-of-town board rep, email me at rensor@icx.net.

Go Vols,

Rusty Ensor
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NOTES OF INTEREST

Did you notice that three former Vols are slated to play in the Pro Bowl? They are Peyton Manning (Indianapolis), Jamal Lewis (Baltimore) and Leonard Little (St. Louis). They were also named to the AP All-Pro team. Peyton was the NFL's co-MVP along with the Titans Steve McNair.

Likewise, did you see the tremendous coverage given to Jamal and the University of Tennessee when Jamal came ever so close to breaking the Rams' Eric Dickerson rushing record back on a Sunday night in December. That was pretty amazing!

As we noted in an earlier story, Reggie White was named to the Peach Bowl Hall of Fame and was so honored in Atlanta. He was also's UT's legend at the SEC Championship football game, also in Atlanta.

We were also saddened to hear of the death of former Vol blocking back Jim Cartwright of Ten Mile back in December. Cartwright, who came to the Vols from Athens, made one of the key plays in the 1959 LSU game, taking an interception 59 yards to tie the game in the third quarter. He was a two-time (1959-60) of the Jacobs Trophy, awarded annually to the SEC's best blocker.

In our next issue we will continue looking at our board members.

GRAY HAIRS NOT YET SPROUTING FOR VETERAN CRUMP

Vol junior center Brandon Crump has to feel like a senior citizen.

He's been at Tennessee so long that he committed to play here way back in the 1900s. He's so old he remembers when a different coach was here, the floor still had the state on it and the only C.J. on the team was 6-foot-9, 255-pound center C.J. Black.

And Crump's still just a junior.

He may be a junior in status, but he's in senior standing with the Vols' basketball team. The 6-10 forward from Klein, Texas, is clearly the veteran on a squad that boasts zero seniors. He's the only player on the 12-man squad that has been at Tennessee for more than a year. He's scored more points, played more minutes and earned more starts in a Tennessee uniform than any two players combined on the squad.

That's why he's captain of the team.

'It's just a learning process I have to go through because next year, I'll be a leader again,' says Crump, who gives credit to junior Justin Albrecht and sophomore C.J. Watson for their leadership as well. 'But next year, it will be totally different.'

Crump's made a habit of delivering something new each year he's been on The Hill. His first year in Knoxville, he redshirted while learning to live 948 miles away from home. His second year, considered his freshman year in athletics, he started 19 games on his way to a 7.1 scoring average. Last year, he upped the ante to 11 points and 5.9 rebounds per game. Add a .753 shooting percentage, which, by the way, does include

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SMOKEY VIII RETIRES, SMOKEY IX IN THE WINGS

'Dear Smokey. We were looking through the paper the other day and came across an article written about you. With excitement, we began to read it. Sadly, we found out that the article was about your recent diagnosis of cancer. Our hearts began to sadden. How could this be happening to the most important asset of the best college football team ever? To the one who for years and years goes out on the football field and braves the crowds, the weather, the wins the losses, and loves every minute of it. Without you, the team would not be what they are. You are the pride of the Volunteers. Everyone loves you! I know there have been 7 Smokeys before you and there will be others after you but in my eyes you are the only Smokey. I can remember taking my daughter to her first UT ball game and she was so intrigued by you. She watched you the entire game. If she lost you, her little eyes searched and searched for you until she found you once again. You will always be with her, in her heart and memory. And as long as our blood runs orange you will always be part of us. You are the heart and soul of the Volunteers. Great players come and go, but you, Smokey, are with us forever. Take your retirement and rest and be well. May God be with you and those who care for you. Cheers to the best bluetick coonhound and the greatest football team that has ever graced a field. Thanks for the memories and always GO BIG ORANGE! We hold our heads high for the University of Tennessee.'

--Letter sent to 'Smokey VIII' received Dec. 29, 2003, commenting on his retirement

The Peach Bowl game against Clemson not only brought the curtain down on the 2003 football season, but also wrote the finish of the career of Smokey VIII, who retired after the 2004 Peach Bowl Jan. 2 in Atlanta for health reasons.

It also set the stage for the ascension of Smokey IX.

Smokey VIII, a 9-year-old bluetick coonhound, had been the mascot of the University of Tennessee football team since 1995. He was the eighth in a line of Smokeys whose service dates to 1953.

As the letter above states, has there ever been a more beloved mascot anywhere any time?

This past December, the famous UT pooch was diagnosed with a nasal tumor filling the left side of his nasal cavity. That news came from Dr. Kate Stenske, DVM, an Internal Medicine Resident at the University of Tennessee College of Veterinary Medicine.

'Given his condition,' Dr. Stenske said in December, 'it would be a good idea for Smokey VIII to retire after the bowl game and focus his energies on his cancer treatment.'

Dr. Stenske said that, with radiation treatment, Smokey VIII's life span and quality of life will be greatly improved. Without this treatment, his life expectancy would likely be less than one year.

Smokey VIII was on the sidelines for the Peach Bowl, but did not run onto the field with his trainers and rode a float in the parade.

'He's the best one we ever had,' said owner Earl Hudson, who seems to have a special place in his heart for Smokey VIII. 'We don't have to worry about him. He's been good to young and old people alike, babies even. He's been very faithful in the heat or the cold.

'He's always been active, always howling, and never seems to tire of the attention. It's always sad when Smokey's tenure is cut short. I thought he might make it two or three more years. Smokey IX is already being trained and there will be no interruption of the beloved Tennessee mascot.'

Hudson said Smokey VIII did fine at the game, howled a good bit and seemed to rest on occasion due his treatments. Smokey VIII was also the attention of photographers, fans and other dog enthusiasts.

Hudson added that Smokey VIII was doing well with his treatments at the Vet School and was staying at the Hudson home in North Knoxville on weekends.

Dr. Stenske said the normal life expectancy of a dog the size of Smokey VIII is about 12 years of age. 'We believe we caught this tumor early, and with aggressive treatment, we anticipate Smokey will do very well so he can enjoy his retirement with Earl. He has been a loyal mascot to the University of Tennessee. He is receiving the best care, which he has earned.'

The line of Smokeys began in 1953, when Rev. Bill Brooks of Knoxville and his wife, Mildred, entered a bluetick coonhound named 'Brooks' Blue Smokey' in a UT Pep Club contest to select a team mascot. That dog became Smokey I. Thus began a lineage that has been a part of UT lore ever since

Rev. Brooks died in 1986 and Mrs. Brooks cared for the dogs until 1994, when Hudson, Mrs. Brooks' brother, took over. Mrs. Brooks died in 1997. There's been a Smokey at the Hudson home ever since.

Since 1995, Smokey VIII and the Vols have compiled a record of 91-22, with two SEC titles and the 1998 national championship in whatever dogs consider their back pocket.

Smokey IX (at left), officially named P. R. (Purple Ribbon) Hudson's Smokey IX, will be on the sidelines for the Vols' 2004 season opener against UNLV Sept. 4 in Knoxville, one day short of his first birthday.

Here are the service dates of the Smokeys from the beginning, as supplied by Hudson:

·Smokey I (1953-54), born Dec. 24, 1946, died Jan. 28, 1955

·Smokey II (1955-63), born Oct. 16, 1954, died Nov. 23, 1963

·Smokey III (1964-77), born June 18, 1964, died June 1979

·Smokey IV (1978-79), born Sept. 24, 1973, died Dec. 1979

·Smokey V (1980-83), born June 1, 1980, died Jan. 1984

·Smokey VI (1984-91), born Oct. 15, 1982, died Dec. 1991

·Smokey VII (1992-94), born Sept. 29, 1991

·Smokey VIII (1995-2004), born Sept. 14, 1994

·Smokey IX (2004-), born Sept. 5, 2003

Smokey IX (also below) has been at the Hudson household since Dec. 21.

'He's all limbs and belly, ears and feet,' Hudson said, 'and looks to be bigger than Smokey VIII.' Smokey VIII weighed 78 pounds during his service and weighs 75 currently.

Hudson indicated that Smokey IX would be undergoing obedience training in Knoxville and will doing personal appearances in the Knoxville area.

'I'll be taking him various places to get used to crowds and the atmosphere he will encounter next season. He'll make his debut at the 2004 Orange and White game in April. He will have filled in pretty good by then. He'll probably weigh 65 pounds or so by then.'

Earl also noted that VIII and IX seem to be getting along really well, with each other and with the other dogs in the neighborhood.

'We have a very promising future for Smokey IX,' Hudson said. 'I think he's going to be one of the best. We'll keep Smokey VIII here as a family pet.

'There should be no problem continuing the Smokey tradition,' Hudson said. 'We have five children and eight grandchildren and they all like Smokey. One or more of them are ready and able to carry on this great tradition.'

Hudson indicated that Smokey VIII would be in reserve just in case as long as he's healthy enough and the doctors think he'll be able to live a couple of years or more after the radiation therapy.

'In a couple of years,' Hudson says, 'we can began thinking about a younger dog to be in reserve as Smokey X.'

Fifty years later the dream lives on, thanks to the vision of Rev. Brooks and the Hudson family. It's a great tradition, but you already knew that.

by Tom Mattingly

his trademark two-handed gorilla dunks, and Crump began earning the respect of his peers around the Southeastern Conference.

Considered a steal for Tennessee in the recruiting world a few years back, this year's team is Crump's. He finished Christmas Break averaging 16.4 points and 7.7 rebounds. He also had 17 blocked shots as of the turn of the year, tying his freshman total and equaling half of last year's total. But not only have his numbers increased, so has his aggressiveness. He's eager to take shots from the free-throw line, baby hooks from the block and even a 3-pointer from the top of the key. It's like a light has clicked in his cornrow crown.

'It's affected me a lot,' he says. 'I've had to go out and be a scorer. I've had to fill some big shoes, and it has really been a big step for me.'

The big shoes are the echoing footsteps of departed senior Ron Slay. When Slay and his 21.2 points per game left Tennessee, it was like you could hear the air leaving Thompson-Boling Arena - the Vols' offense would be deflated without a boisterous scorer like old No. 35.

Well, that's what everyone thought.

The new-look Vols, with Crump fathering a herd of two transfers, two freshmen and a handful of guys finding their role on the team, have shown an athletic side similar to the orange-clad speedsters running for Bill Webb on Tom Black Track. The fast tempo goes well with the young talent, and even Crump is enjoying the run-and-gun style.

'I really like it when a team is going to run with us,' he says. 'But once they try to slow us down, I don't like it at all. The Nebraska game just frustrated me, but I can play a half-court game also. When we're going up and down like that, it just makes it easier for us to get a victory.'

He was referring to a 77-62 loss to the Cornhuskers. The game frustrated a lot of Vols, mostly because of the downright ugly 28.7 shooting percentage. Consistent threats like Scooter McFadgon and C.J. Watson were an ice cold 6-of-34. There was no up-and-down tempo. There weren't any easy baskets. Nebraska simply packed everybody inside the 3-point line and dared Tennessee to shoot over top. But the Vols couldn't. And when Crump got the ball inside the lane, there were two, sometimes three, Cornhuskers surrounding him instantly.

The result - a career-high 25 points.

'We've got a lot of confidence in getting him the basketball inside,' coach Buzz Peterson says. 'And that's what we want to do.'

True, some of the post players he's faced through the first two months of the season haven't been Shaq-like. But he's still been able to dominate against double- and triple-teams. The SEC, he knows, will be different.

'When the SEC comes, I'll have to step it up a little more,' he says. 'I'll have to be more aggressive than I have been. I'm going to do the best I can in the SEC. But when I get double-teamed, it makes it so difficult.'

Not impossible, though. He improved his interior work the past two summers when he attended Pete Newell's Big Man Camp. Nearly 60 of the nation's best collegiate post players attended, along with about a dozen NBA big men. One-on-one drills, footwork drills, post-move drills, wing drills - it was all there. Teammate Boomer Herndon was there too. It was Crump's second year.

'It brings a lot of confidence when you come back to school in August,' he says. 'And it's fun. You go against people who are as tall as you are. Plus, they're the best post players in the country.'

Crump will be among the best as he continues to improve. He's done it every year he's been at Tennessee. He's become a leader on the floor and a captain away from competition. He knows the ropes because he's been here forever.

And he's got another year left.

by Josh Pate

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Academic counselor for football Dan Carlson, Anthony Herrera, Casey Clausen, Michael Munoz, Mark Jones, coach Phillip Fulmer and Associate Director Thornton Center Fernandez West pose for a graduation picture Dec. 14.

IN-STATE KICKER LEADS VOLS IN SCORING

James Wilhoit is alone in the end zone with his kicking stand and his football.

It's more than an hour until kickoff, and Wilhoit, looking to the ground, is more than 20 yards away from the nearest Tennessee player. Isolated? No. Penalized? No. Concentrating? More than you know.

While other Tennessee players are going through their pregame rituals of running a route, exploding from a three-point stance and practicing a 30-yard throw, Wilhoit's going through his own motions. Less than a yard away from the goal post, Wilhoit's foot meets leather as he pooches the football straight up and over the 10-foot-high crossbar like clearing a bunker with a pitching wedge. He steps a few yards back after each kick and does it again.

'Jeff Hall taught me that,'Wilhoit says, referring to the former Vols kicker from 1995-98 who holds the Tennessee and Southeastern Conference scoring mark with 371 points. 'It's one of those things where you want to start close and slow just to kind of get a rhythm and a feel for what you're doing. You don't have to go out there and kick 50-yarders to start out with.'

But by the time Wilhoit finishes his pregame ritual, which he also does before every practice, he's pushing the mid-field mark. As a broader goal, Tennessee's freshman kicker hopes that by the time he finishes his career as a Vol, he'll be pushing the all-time scoring mark for the Vols.

Wilhoit concluded his freshman season with the Vols Jan. 2 in the Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl, and he's already established himself as a consistent scoring threat when Tennessee looks for three points. Much like Hall, John Becksvoort (1991-94), Alex Walls (1999-2002) and Fuad Reveiz (1981-84), all of whom respectively rank 1-4 on Tennessee's all-time scoring list, it's Wilhoit who has been Tennessee's scoring machine this year. He finished the season as the Vols' leading scorer with 92 points, nearly doubling his closest competitor, Jabari Davis, who had 48.

'It's definitely special that you're scoring more points than anybody else, but nobody even thinks about you being the leading scorer,' Wilhoit says with a slight grin. 'They just think, 'Awe, he's just a kicker.''

But the kicker hit 17 of his 24 field goal attempts and made 12 of his final 14 to close the season. He was a perfect 41-of-41 on his extra point attempts. His longest field goal of the season, a 51-yarder, came in Tennessee's win at Florida. He made three field goals in the five-overtime game at Alabama. Against Mississippi State, he finished with eight total points.

'I'm never thinking about, 'Yeah, I'm definitely going to make this

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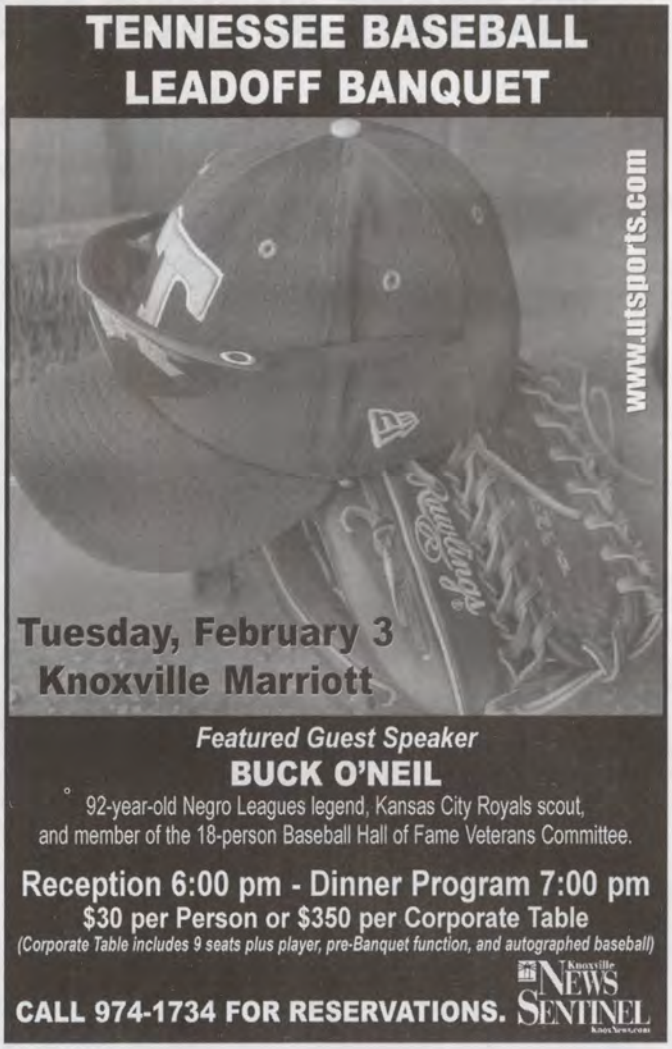

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NESTLE - A TREAT FOR TENNESSEE FANS

It's not everyday a fan is treated to the opportunity to win a 9-pound Nestle Crunch chocolate bar. As a Tennessee Corporate Partner, Nestle provides a special treat for fans of all ages at a variety of men's and women's athletic events. With unique opportunities for Tennessee fans, it's easy to understand why Nestle was named America's Most Admired Food Company for the sixth consecutive year by Fortune Magazine in March 2003.

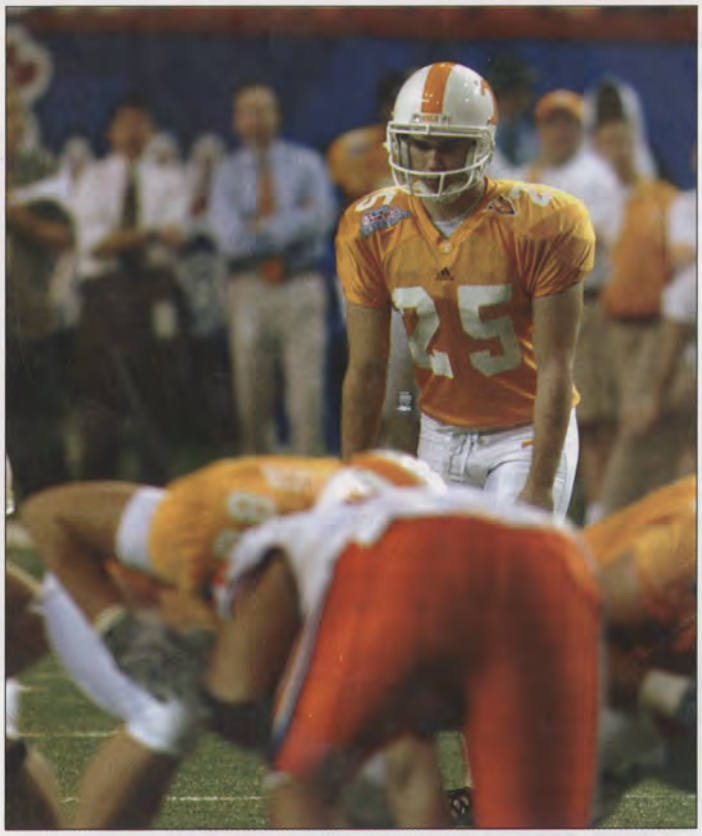
This year Nestle and Weigel's partnered together to sponsor the Tennessee Basketball '70 Point Offense Card' Fun Cards. Ushers distribute the Fun Cards to fans upon entering Thompson-Boling Arena. Every time the Vols score 70 points or more in a home game and win, fans have seven days to go to a participating Knoxville-area Weigel's location and buy one Nestle Toll House Candy Bar and get a second Nestle Toll House Candy Bar free. The new Nestle Toll House Candy Bar is the first candy bar made with real Nestle Toll House Morsels and creamy Nestle milk chocolate.

Nestle's support of the Vols spans to baseball with the title sponsorship of the 'Nestle Crunch Time Mascot Race' promotion. Smokey challenges a young fan to race him around the bases and back to home plate. After racing Smokey to home plate, the young contestant is rewarded with a 9-pound Nestle Crunch bar. 'Nestle's investment in the University of Tennessee's Athletics programs benefits everyone involved. Nestle is able to directly connect with our fans through multiple mediums including promotion, advertising, signage, and sampling,' said Allyson Gozdieski, Associate Director of Marketing. 'In turn we are able to provide our fans with unique promotional items, coupon opportunities, and the delicious and quality chocolate and confectionery products that make Nestle the world's leading maker of chocolate.'

This year Nestle helped the Vols and Lady Vols tip-off basketball season by providing the candy for trick-or-treating at Hoopapalooza. Fans enjoyed an array of Nestle candy products as they visited with both the Vols and Lady Vols basketball teams during the autograph session of Hoopapalooza.

Nestle rewards Lady Vol fans with the 9-pound Nestle Crunch Bar and t-shirts during in-game promotions at soccer, volleyball, basketball and softball. In addition to treating fans, Nestle supports the Lady Vols through signage at the Tennessee Soccer Complex and in Stokely Athletic Center. 'Our seven-year relationship with Nestle has been a win-win for both Nestle and the University of Tennessee Athletic Department. Each year we have worked together to find ways to improve the relationship which then benefits the fans, Nestle and The University of Tennessee,' said Carolyn Wares, Lady Vols Assistant Athletic Director for Marketing. 'It never gets old seeing the look on a young child's face when they win a 9-pound chocolate bar and begin thinking about how much fun they are going to have trying to eat the whole thing.'

The University of Tennessee Athletic Department recognizes Nestle for their sponsorship and generous support of Tennessee Athletics.



kick,' Wilhoit says. 'It's more of being comfortable with the situation. When I go out there, I don't even think whether I'm going to make it or not. I just go through the process.'

Kickoffs were added to his bag of tricks during the Marshall game, possibly sealing his fate as the Vols' kickoff man the rest of his career. He booted 29 touchbacks on the season - once a weak spot in the Vols' kicking game - and had three kickoffs sail into the end zone at the Peach Bowl.

This year has been quite a contrast to last season. Wilhoit redshirted in 2002 while being an understudy to Walls. It was different not being on the field during fall Saturdays for someone who came out of Hendersonville (Tenn.) High School as the No. 1-rated kicking prospect in the nation.

'I kind of felt like a bystander,'he says. 'When you went through the Vol Walk or something like that, you really didn't feel like you were as involved as you are now, when you're actually contributing.'

Still, Wilhoit has some improvements he wants to make, like kicking to both sides of the end zone on kickoffs. And he wants to add some height to his field goal attempts to prevent potential blocks.

'If I started off like this my first year, I definitely want to keep it up for the next three years and build on it,' he says. 'The biggest thing is making sure you get better every year. That doesn't always mean your field-goal percentage is going to be any higher. It just means that you're working on little things and making yourself a little bit better every day.'

At this rate, Wilhoit could rank as high as second on Tennessee's all-time scoring list after four years. It will take a superb season, or maybe two, to overtake Hall's vice grip at the top.

Perhaps Hall wasn't teaching Wilhoit all his secrets. T

by Josh Pate

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SHELLEY GODWIN EPITOMIZES A STUDENT-ATHLETE

In her four years at Tennessee, Shelley Godwin has worked the rigors of the cheerleading practices. Preparing for the upcoming Vol opponents, while honing her skills as a tumbler, pyramid-builder and, as the old time reference goes, yell-leader. Those hours are long and grueling, and often after a regular practice she and her fellow teammates will work in the weight room or drive several miles to a local gymnasium to work on their tumbling skills. That is not the end of her day, though, as she is working hard to maintain her 4.0 GPA in advertising with a minor in business. Studies do come before cheerleading.

In the world of collegiate athletics it is generally known that there are three major sports that are the bread winner's for their programs, football, basketball and baseball. Everything else is really referred to as Olympic sports.

But an increasing number of student-athletes enter the halls of their hallowed grounds across America to participate in a sport not sanctioned by the NCAA, and often left to a dean of students or some other wing of the administrative staff to supervise. No one is quite sure what to make of this sport that grows in number and popularity, but each year millions of dollars are pumped into the economy because of what happens at the collegiate level, which therefore trickles down all the way to the Pee-Wee levels of your local communities.

Here at Tennessee, collegiate cheerleading is every bit as competitive as any other non-revenue sport. Try telling those men and women who work for six straight months, from August to December preparing for their one competition to claim their rights as the nation's elite.

There is another aspect to Godwin's life that lets you know she is more than just your average college student. She has spent the last two summers traveling to Belize in South America for 10-day stints as part of her church's mission trip.

It is a lesson that Godwin has gladly taken upon herself to learn She has never thought for a second about not going, at least not after seeing those faces of the young kids who have less than nothing.

Godwin has been a special part of the University of Tennessee, and she has become what many universities across America are wanting from all of their student-athletes, a well-rounded person who utilized the opportunities presented to them to make them a better person.

'Tennessee is certainly the lucky one in this scenario,' said Spirit Coordinator and head cheer coach Joy Postell. 'I am looking for someone who wants an education for academic reasons. Shelley was coming here to get her degree in a four-year time limit.

'I ask for student-athletes to love the Big Orange. She has loved the Big Orange whether it is at a pep rally or the opening of a local business. She is such a role model for children. She has precious memories of children who write her letter or send her things. One even sent her a t-shirt they made her for Christmas with a picture of her and the little girl from the Vol Walk. If they happen to be a great cheerleader, then I get lucky.

'Shelley contributed from an athletic standpoint. SHe has succeeded in all three components.'

Godwin is a captain on this year's 2003-04 Volunteer cheer squad. Since she has been here the squad has finished in the top 10 all three years, with their highest finish coming last year when they finished fourth.

'Wearing the Orange and White is something I never thought I would get a chance to experience,' said Godwin. 'That freshman year when you see your name on that list that you have made it, that you have made the University of Tennessee cheerleading squad, is an honor. Every Saturday game day when you put on the uniform and are walking down the street, people want to get pictures with you and shake your hand or get your autograph. It is really a rewarding and exciting experience to know that you have been a part of something so special and be able to make a difference in someone else's life.'

But even with the rigors of her cheerleading schedule, her school has also been a beacon for her.

'I have taken the last three mini-terms and I tested out of Spanish, so I am a little bit ahead,' she said. :'I only need seven hours to graduate this spring. So I took 12 hours last semester ad am taking 12 hours this semester so I can spend time on my studies and maintain my 4.0. That is something I really want to do.

'As I progressed in my major, my classes got harder and I knew I needed time management to kick in and help me out. I know how much I can do and how much of a workload I can take. It's about prioritizing my time and figuring what I need to do to get something done.

Godwin has represented her team and her University with class and dignity. When speaking with Spirit Coordinator and head cheer coach Joy Postell-Gee, it doesn't take much to get a response about one of her favorite pupils.

'Shelley epitomizes the type of student-athlete I try to recruit here at Tennessee,' Postell said.

'Shelley exemplified true leadership from the time she got here as a true freshman. She not only sets and example in the practice arena, but also in the public arena. Obviously her 4.0 GPA over the past four years exemplifies the student-athlete I am looking for. her leadership skills on and off the floor have proven to be most beneficial.

As Godwin's career begins to wind down there are several things that she looks back on with great joy as well as those things she still wants to accomplish.

'Nationals are definitely one of the most important components we do here,' Godwin said. :I always say cheerleading is a year-round sport for us. There is no off-season. When basketball season ends, we have about two weeks before we start try-outs again for the next year. After we try out, we spend all summer going to camp, improving our skills and working on different things. Every Saturday, as we go out for each game, that prepares us for our competition.

'This year is very special to me. Last year, I had a hip injury and a small concussion, so I was out of the routine. A personal goal I had set for myself was to finish out the year and be able to go to nationals one last time and get out there and perform. That is really important to us. We don't really get a Christmas break. Most people are home for a month, while we are here practicing three to five times a day and getting more bruises than you can count, and everybody is aching. But it's all worth it.

'Some people say it is only a two-minute routine, but it is the best two minutes you can probably take away from your college experience.

With her busy schedule Godwin has yet to slow down, even in her personal life where she recently became engaged to junior Vol first baseman Brett Chappell. Looks like Big Orange blood will run in the family for the next couple of generations.

For her efforts and accomplishments it is good to see Shelley Godwin wears the Orange and White with pride and enthusiasm. Tennessee is a better place because of her.

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THOUGHTS ON YEAR'S END

As the calendar turned from Dec. 31, 2003, to Jan. 1, 2004, our thoughts turned to some great year-end moments in Tennessee history that deserve mention in the context of history.

FIVE YEARS AGO: As 1998 turned to 1999, Tennessee was on the cusp of a 12-0 season that would turn to 13-0 on Jan. 4, with a 23-16 victory over Florida State way out in Tempe, Ariz. No matter. Enough Tennessee fans were in attendance that Sun Devil Stadium looked like Big Orange Country West. Tee Martin, Peerless Price, Shawn Bryson led the way. Steve Johnson had the game-clinching interception and no one who was there or saw the game will ever forget the experience. It was a grand finale for John Ward and Bill Anderson on the Vol Network.

TEN YEARS AGO: Despite a loss to Penn State in the 1994 Citrus Bowl, Tennessee was on the verge of one of the best recruiting hauls in recent memory and was headed to the 1994 season with a senior quarterback, Oak Ridge's Jerry Colquitt. Also on the horizon was the return of grass, shur 'nuff grass, if you will to Shields-Watkins Field. The old artificial stuff was torn away and Bob Campbell recalled people coming by in the early part of 1994, 'just to see the grass grow.' It sounds strange, but that's the way it was.

FIFTEEN YEARS AGO: Tennessee was on the verge of one of the greatest comebacks in its long and storied history. Coming off 1988, in which the Vols were 5-6, but won their final five games of the year, the Vols would finish 11-1 in 1989, share the SEC title with Alabama and Auburn and defeat Arkansas in the Cotton Bowl. Chuck Webb and Carl Pickens led the way, with considerable help from a powerful offensive line paced by Jacobs Trophy winner Eric Still. This team remains a favorite of Vol fans for significant wins over UCLA, Auburn, Georgia, LSU and the afore-mentioned Cotton Bowl win over Arkansas.

TWENTY YEARS AGO: Reggie White led the Vols to a 9-3 record and Citrus Bowl win over Maryland, capping the end of the first of a number of fruitful seasons under head coach Johnny Majors. White dominated the line of scrimmage all year and went on to a great professional career. He was a 2002 inductee into the College Football Hall of Fame. Tennessee won a shoot with Alabama, 41-34 at Legion Field in Birmingham, thanks to a memorable run by Johnnie Jones in the fourth quarter as the Vols overcame a 10-point deficit to take the victory. Alan Cockrell was never better under center as he led the Vols over the Tide for the second straight season.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO: Tennessee won three of its final four games and played Notre Dame tough at South Bend to buoy hopes for the 1979 season that resulted in a win over Notre Dame and first bowl appearance since 1974.

THIRTY YEARS AGO: Condredge Holloway was an All-SEC quarterback, who led miracle rally after miracle rally, causing coach Bill Battle to describe him as 'indescribable.' Opponents did everything they could to stop Condredge, but never really did. Eddie Brown was a tough-as-nails captain, who led the way in a comeback victory over Kansas despite losing most of his front teeth blocking a field goal. How he came back to play after that is one of the great stories of Tennessee football. A freshman named Stanley Morgan (left) made an impact not only in 1973, but in the next three years as well.

THIRTY-FIVE YEARS AGO: Doug Dickey called his 1968 squad, heavily populated with sophomores, one of his favorites as the Vols rolled to an 8-2-1 record despite heavy personnel losses from the 1967 SEC title squad. The season marked the arrival of artificial turf in Knoxville and the emergence of junior linebackers Steve Kiner and Jack Reynolds as All-America type players. Tennessee won the SEC title, second in three years, a year later. It was the Year of Ward and Anderson's debut behind the Vol Network microphones.

FORTY YEARS AGO: It was a time of transition from the single wing to the 'T' formation. Dickey had been hired in early December and he and his staff immediately went out to bring Tennessee back. Mallon Faircloth closed the single-wing era with 179 yards rushing in a 14-0 win over Vanderbilt. Two years later, the Vols were in a bowl game and the history was, as they say, history. It began an era, still alive today, where it was great to be a Vol fan.

Over the years, It's always been great to be a Tennessee Vol fan. If you saw all these memorable moments, or just a few, it's something you will never forget.

More history and memorable moments are on the way. Stay tuned.

by Tom Mattingly

THE TENNESSEE SCOREBOARD PAGE

MEN'S BASKETBALL (8-1, 0-0)

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE		Results
November				
5	EA Sports (Exh.)	Knoxville	W	110-83
14	Southeast All-Stars (Exh.)	Knoxville	W	114-71
21	Wofford	Knoxville	W	81-70
28	Tennessee State	Knoxville	W	81-56
December				
2	Texas A&M (SEC-TV)	Knoxville	W	108-84
13	at Nebraska	Lincoln, Neb.	L	62-77
17	The Citadel	Knoxville	W	99-49.
20	Georgia State	Knoxville	W	87-71
22	Tennessee Tech	Knoxville	W	79-61
30	UNC Asheville	Knoxville	W	80-67
January (2004)				
3	at UMass (ESPN)	Amherst, Mass.	W	74-66
7	*Georgia	Knoxville		7:30 p.m.
10	*at Florida (JP)	Gainesville, Fla.		1:00 p.m.
14	*Vanderbilt	Knoxville		7:30 p.m.
17	*at South Carolina (SEC-TV)	Columbia, S.C.		5:00 p.m.
20	*Kentucky (ESPN)	Knoxville		9:00 p.m.
25	Louisville (ESPN)	Knoxville		7:00 p.m.
28	*at Mississippi State	Starkville, Miss.		TBA
31	*Florida (JP)	Knoxville		3:00 p.m.
February				
4	*at LSU	Baton Rouge, La.		TBA
7	Georgia Tech (ABC)	Knoxville		3:30 p.m.
11	*Arkansas (JP)	Knoxville		8:00 p.m.
14	*at Alabama (JP)	Tuscaloosa, Ala.		3:00 p.m.
18	*Ole Miss	Knoxville		7:30 p.m.
21	*at Georgia (JP)	Athens, Ga.		2:00 p.m.
25	*at Kentucky (JP)	Lexington, Ky.		8:00 p.m.
28	*Auburn (SEC-TV)	Knoxville		7:00 p.m.
March				
3	*at Vanderbilt	Nashville, Tenn.		TBA
6	*South Carolina	Knoxville		TBA
11-14	SEC Tournament (JP & CBS)	Atlanta, Ga.		TBA

NCAA Final Four
April 3 & 5
San Antonio, Texas

** - SEC games*

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL (10-1, 0-0)

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE		Results
November				
9	West Coast All-Stars (EXH)	Knoxville	W	86-57
18	Athletes in Action (EXH)	Knoxville	W	88-64
23	Chattanooga	Knoxville	W	83-52
30	Notre Dame	Knoxville	W	83-59
December				
7	Louisiana Tech	Knoxville	W	85-65
11	Rutgers	Knoxville	W	59-49
14	at Stanford	Stanford, Calif.	W	70-66
17	DePaul	Chicago, Ill.	W	96-89
21	Oklahoma	Norman, Okla.	W	71-55
28	Texas	Knoxville	L	70-60
30	George Washington	Washington, D.C.	W	65-51
January 2004				
2	TCU	Ft. Worth, Tex.	W	74-66
4	Old Dominion	Knoxville	W	66-42
8	*Arkansas	Knoxville		7 p.m.
11	*at Mississippi State	Starkville, Miss.		3 p.m.
15	*at South Carolina	Columbia, S.C.		7 p.m.
18	*Alabama	Knoxville		3 p.m.
22	*Vanderbilt	Knoxville FOX		7 p.m.
24	at Duke	Durham, N.C. espn2		7 p.m.
29	*at Kentucky	Lexington, Ky.		7 p.m.
February				
1	*Auburn	Knoxville		3 p.m.
5	Connecticut	Knoxville espn2		7 p.m.
8	*South Carolina	Knoxville		3 p.m.
12	*at Georgia	Athens, Ga. FOX		7 p.m.
15	*at Vanderbilt	Nashville		4 p.m.
19	*Florida	Knoxville		7 p.m.
22	*at Ole Miss	Oxford, Miss.		3 p.m.
26	*at Arkansas	Fayetteville, Ark.		8 p.m.
29	*LSU	Knoxville FOX		3 p.m.
March				
4-7	SEC Tournament	Nashville, Tenn. FOX		TBA

NCAA Tournament Final Four
New Orleans, La.
April 4 & 6
ESPN/espn2

MEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
January			
3-4	Georgia Diving Invitational	Athens, Ga.	NTS
16	*at Auburn	Auburn, Ala.	TBA
24	*at Georgia	Athens, Ga.	TBA
31	*Florida	KNOXVILLE	TBA
February			
25-28	SEC Championships	Athens, Ga.	All Day
March			
12-14	NCAA Zone B Diving	TBA	All Day
25-27	NCAA Championships	Long Island, N.Y.	All Day

** - SEC games*

WOMEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
January			
3-4	Georgia Diving Invitational	Athens, Ga.	NTS
10	Northwestern	KNOXVILLE	TBA
15-16	USA World Cup Diving Trials	Charlotte, N.C.	All Day
17	*Arkansas	Fayetteville, Ark.	12:00 PM
17-18	USA World Cup Diving Trials	Charlotte, N.C.	All Day
31	*Florida	KNOXVILLE	1:00 PM
February			
8	at Ohio State	Columbus, Ohio	1:00 PM
10-14	USA Spring National Championships	Orlando, Fla.	All Day
25-28	SEC Championships	Athens, Ga.	All Day
March			
12-14	NCAA Zone B Diving Championships	TBD	All Day
18-20	NCAA Championships	College Station, Texas	All Day

** - SEC meets*

BASEBALL

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE
February		
13	Morehead State	Knoxville
14	Morehead State	Knoxville
15	Morehead State	Knoxville
20	at Miami (Fla.)	Miami
21	at Miami (Fla.)	Miami
22	at Miami (Fla.)	Miami
27	Eastern Michigan	Knoxville
28	Eastern Michigan	Knoxville
29	Eastern Michigan	Knoxville
March		
3	Tennessee Tech	Knoxville
5	Georgia State	Knoxville
6	Georgia State	Knoxville
7	Georgia State	Knoxville
9	Niagara	Knoxville
10	Niagara	Knoxville
12	Siena	Knoxville
13	Siena	Knoxville
14	Siena	Knoxville
16	Lipscomb	Knoxville
19	*at Mississippi State	Starkville, Miss.
20	*at Mississippi State	Starkville, Miss.
21	*at Mississippi State	Starkville, Miss.
23	at East Tennessee State	Johnson City
26	*Auburn	Knoxville
27	*Auburn	Knoxville
28	*Auburn	Knoxville
31	Wofford	Knoxville
April		
2	*Kentucky	Knoxville
3	*Kentucky	Knoxville
4	*Kentucky	Knoxville
7	East Tennessee State	Knoxville
9	*at Georgia	Athens, Ga.
10	*at Georgia	Athens, Ga.
11	*at Georgia	Athens, Ga.
13	at Wofford	Spartanburg, S.C.
16	*at Ole Miss	Oxford, Miss.
17	*at Ole Miss	Oxford, Miss.
18	*at Ole Miss	Oxford, Miss.
21	at Tennessee Tech	Cookeville
23	*LSU	Knoxville
24	*LSU	Knoxville
25	*LSU	Knoxville
28	UNC Asheville	Knoxville
30	*at Arkansas	Fayetteville, Ark.
May		
1	*at Arkansas	Fayetteville, Ark.
2	*at Arkansas	Fayetteville, Ark.
7	*Vanderbilt	Knoxville
8	*Vanderbilt	Knoxville
9	*Vanderbilt	Knoxville
12	Belmont	Knoxville
14	*at South Carolina	Columbia, S.C.
15	*at South Carolina	Columbia, S.C.
16	*at South Carolina	Columbia, S.C.
21	*Florida	Knoxville
22	*Florida	Knoxville
23	*Florida	Knoxville
26-30	SEC Tournament (Birmingham, Ala.)	
June		
4-6	NCAA Regionals (Campus sites)	
11-14	NCAA Super Regionals (Campus sites)	
18-27	College World Series (Omaha, Neb.)	

**-SEC game*

SOFTBALL

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
February			
	UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII TOURNAMENT (BYU, Hawaii, Oregon State, Saint Mary's, UAB)		
6-8		Honolulu, Hawaii	TBA
	NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY TOURNAMENT (BU, UT-Arlington, NMSU, San Jose State, SW Mo. State)		
13-15		Las Cruces, N.M.	TBA
	PALM SPRINGS TOURNAMENT (Cal State Fullerton, Pacific, UCLA, U.S. Olympic Team, Utah)		
20-22		Palm Springs, Calif.	TBA
25	East Tennessee State (DH)	Knoxville	3 P.M.
	BAYLOR UNIVERSITY TOURNAMENT (Baylor, Lipscomb, Samford)		
28-29		Waco, Texas	TBA CT
March			
2	Middle Tennessee (DH)	Knoxville	3 p.m.
6	LSU (DH)	Knoxville	1 p.m.
7	LSU	Knoxville	1 p.m.
9	*at Kentucky (DH)	Lexington, Ky.	4 p.m.
10	*at Kentucky	Lexington, Ky.	3 p.m.
13	*at Alabama (DH)	Tuscaloosa, Ala.	1 p.m. CT
14	*at Alabama	Tuscaloosa, Ala.	1:30 p.m. CT
16	Georgia Southern (DH)	Knoxville	4 p.m.
17	Appalachian State (DH)	Knoxville	4 p.m.
20	*at Mississippi State (DH)	Starkville, Miss.	Noon CT
21	*at Mississippi State	Starkville, Miss.	12:30 p.m. CT
24	Austin Peay (DH)	Knoxville	3 p.m.
	LADY VOL CLASSIC (Gardner Webb, Liberty, Tennessee Tech, UTEP)		
26-28		Knoxville	TBA
30	*South Carolina (DH)	Knoxville	4 p.m.
31	*South Carolina	Knoxville	4 p.m.
April			
3	*at Arkansas (DH)	Fayetteville, Ark.	Noon CT
4	*at Arkansas	Fayetteville, Ark.	Noon CT
8	Lipscomb (DH)	Knoxville	4 p.m.
10	*Auburn (DH)	Knoxville	1 p.m.
11	*Auburn	Knoxville	1 p.m.
17	*Florida (DH)	Knoxville	1 p.m.
18	*Florida	Knoxville	1 p.m.
	STATE-LINE CLASSIC		
21	at Radford	Bristol, Tenn.	5 p.m.
21	at Virginia Tech	Bristol, Tenn.	7 p.m.
24	*at Georgia (DH)	Athens, Ga.	1 p.m.
25	*at Georgia	Athens, Ga.	1 p.m.
May			
1	*at Ole Miss (DH)	Knoxville	1 p.m.
2	*at Ole Miss	Knoxville	1 p.m.
13-16	SEC Tournament	Tuscaloosa, Ala.	TBA
20-23	NCAA Regionals	Campus Sites	TBA
27-31	Women's College World Series		Oklahoma City, Okla.

** - SEC games*

WOMEN'S GOLF

DATE	TOURNAMENT	SITE
February		
23-25	Arizona Wildcat Invitational	Tucson, Ariz.
March		
7-9	Lady Gator Invitational	Gainesville, Fla.
26-28	Liz Murphey Collegiate	Athens, Ga.
April		
2-4	Bryan National Collegiate	Greensboro, N.C.
16-18	SEC Championship	Baton Rouge, La.
May		
6-8	NCAA Regionals	Illinois State, Stetson or Stanford
18-21	NCAA Championships	Auburn, Ala.

MEN'S GOLF

DATE	TOURNAMENT	SITE
January		
31-Feb. 1	Gator Invitational	Gainesville, Fla.
February		
8-10	Mercedes-Benz Collegiate Championship	Jacksonville, Fla.
March		
1-2	Cleveland Golf Collegiate Classic	Los Angeles, Calif.
8-9	Louisiana Classic	Lafayette, La.
20-21	Schenkel E-Z-Go Invitational	Statesboro, Ga.
April		
10-11	The Intercollegiate	Raleigh, N.C.
16-18	SEC Championships	Sea Island, Ga.
May		
20-22	NCAA East Regional	Yale, Conn.
June		
1-4	NCAA Championships	Hot Springs, Va.

WOMEN'S TRACK AND FIELD

Date	Opponent	Location	Outcome
January			
9	Tennessee All-Comers Meet	KNOXVILLE	TBA
24	at Gator Invitational	Gainesville, Fla.	All Day
30-31	at Penn State Invitational	University Park, Pa.	All Day
February			
13-14	at Tyson Invitational	Fayetteville, Ark.	All Day
20	Tennessee Indoor Invitational	KNOXVILLE	TBA
27-29	SEC Indoor Championships	Lexington, Ky.	All Day
March			
5-6	at Alex Wilson Invitational	Notre Dame, Ind.	All Day
12-13	NCAA Indoor Championships	Fayetteville, Ark.	All Day
26-27	at Raleigh Relays	Raleigh, N.C.	All Day
April			
7-10	Sea Ray Relays	KNOXVILLE	All Day
16-18	Mt. SAC Relays	Walnut, Calif.	All Day
22-24	at Penn Relays	Philadelphia, Pa.	All Day
25	Knoxville Invitational	KNOXVILLE	TBA
May			
1	Gatorade Classic	KNOXVILLE	TBA
13-16	SEC Outdoor Championships	Oxford, Miss.	All Day
28-29	NCAA Mideast Regional	Baton Rouge, La.	All Day
June			
9-12	NCAA Outdoor Championships	Austin, Texas	All Day

MEN'S TRACK AND FIELD

Date	Opponent	Location	Outcome
January			
9	Tennessee All-Comers	KNOXVILLE	All Day
16-17	at Kentucky Invitational	Lexington, Ky.	TBA
23-24	at Virginia Tech Invitational	Blacksburg, Va.	TBA
30-31	at Rod McCravy Invitational	Lexington, Ky.	TBA
30-31	at Clemson Indoor Heptathlon	Clemson, S.C.	TBA
February			
7	at Husker Invitational	Lincoln, Neb.	TBA
13-14	at Armory Collegiate Invitational	New York, N.Y.	TBA
20	at Tennessee Invitational	KNOXVILLE	TBA
27-29	SEC Indoor Championships	Lexington, Ky.	TBA
March			
6	at Florida State Invitational	Tallahassee, Fla.	TBA
12-13	NCAA Indoor Championships	Fayetteville, Ark.	TBA
19-21	at Alabama Relays	Tuscaloosa, Ala.	TBA
26-27	at Raleigh Relays	Raleigh, N.C.	TBA
April			
2-3	at Texas Relays	Austin, Texas	TBA
3	at Georgia Tech Invitational	Atlanta, Ga.	TBA
7-10	Sea Ray Relays	KNOXVILLE	All Day
22-24	at Penn Relays	Philadelphia, Pa.	All Day
25	Knoxville Invitational	KNOXVILLE	TBA
May			
1-2	Gatorade Classic	KNOXVILLE	TBA
13-16	SEC Outdoor Championships	Oxford, Miss.	All Day
28-29	NCAA Regional Championships	Baton Rouge, La.	All Day
June			
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